

REMARKS

Claims 3-7, 9 and 10 remain pending in this application after cancellation of claims 1, 2 and 8.

The Examiner indicated that claims 3-7, 9 and 10 are dependent upon a rejected base claim. However, claims 3-5, 9 and 10 are already in independent form, and claims 6 and 7 depend on claim 5. Since the Examiner has also indicated that claims 3-7, 9 and 10 contain allowable subject, Applicants note that claims 3-7, 9 and 10 are in allowable condition.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that all of the pending claims of the present application are now in condition for allowance. Prompt reconsideration and allowance of the present application are therefore earnestly solicited.

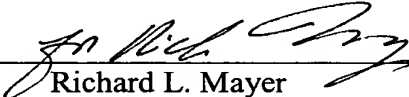
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